

## BECKER'S LAWYERS PREPARE TO URGE JOHN DOE INQUIRY

Hope Assistant District Attorney De Ford Will Give Important Leads.

PLOT LETTER GIVEN OUT

Harford Marshall Maintains

Webber Confessed Becker  
Was "Framed Up."

Becker's lawyers went ahead today with their plans to institute a John Doe proceeding to inquire into the whole case and present under oath witnesses to attempt to prove their contention that Becker is the victim of a conspiracy. The most important feature of this investigation will be the testimony of Assistant District Attorney William A. De Ford, according to Becker's lawyers.

Mr. De Ford will be asked to tell what he knows of the manner in which the testimony of James Marshall, the negro who corroborated the evidence of the "Harlem conference," where the murder is alleged to have been planned, Mr. De Ford has stated that he has no competent evidence in the case, but it is the hope of W. Bourke Cockran, Martin T. Manton and John T. McIntyre, Becker's lawyers, that he can give information which will lead to important evidence.

**MARSHALL WILL NOT GO BEFORE GOVERNOR.**

Harford T. Marshall today made public the letter which he wrote to Chief Judge Bartlett of the Court of Appeals telling him of "Bridgie" Webber's statement that Becker was not implicated in the murder of Herman Rosenthal. Judge Bartlett declined to act on the letter and indicated that Governor Whitman was the one to be made acquainted with the facts. Mr. Marshall pointed out to his letter that he did not go to the Governor because the latter was the prosecuting officer in the case.

"I will not go to the Governor," Mr. Marshall said today. "I will do nothing further until a legal proceeding necessitates it."

The letter Mr. Marshall wrote says in part:

"I again saw Webber, the next day, in the Tombs. He appeared to be very much agitated at the dismissal of the writ of habeas corpus, and at that time I had a conversation with him, of which the following is the substance:

"Without previously having mentioned the name of Lieut. Becker to me, he said: 'How does Whitman want Becker?' I said: 'I don't know. What do you mean?' He then said: 'Would Whitman let us out if I delivered Becker?' I said: 'I do not know. Did Becker have anything to do with the murder?' He said: 'No, but what can I do?'

"I realized at that moment that it was his intention to give some testimony against Charles Becker which I knew to be false. I thereupon told him to get another lawyer."

"Convinced as I was, and am, of the innocence of Lieut. Becker upon the charge of murder, I consented to become one of his counsel upon the second trial and was retained by him two days before the trial began. I had never spoken with Lieut. Becker before that, nor had I at that time, or any other time, told him anything about Webber's communication to me."

**WEBBER REFUSED TO ALLOW HIM TO TESTIFY.**

"I informed Mr. Manton during the trial that I wished Webber to be asked if he would waive privilege and allow me to testify. He was asked twice and both times refused."

District Attorney Charles A. Perkins today denied that he had asserted that nothing could save ex-Police Lieutenant Charles Becker from the chair. He declared that statements quoting him as saying that Becker would surely be executed were not correct and said he had no statement to make as to the ultimate fate of Becker.

Mr. Perkins said Mr. De Ford never participated in the preparation of the second trial and has no knowledge of the case, except that possessed by every one who has read the record of the trial.

Of the proposal of Becker's lawyers to attack the corroboration of the "Harlem conference" by James Marshall, the negro witness, Mr. Perkins said he had thoroughly investigated

the manner in which Marshall became a State witness and is convinced he told the truth.

"The improbability of a prosecuting officer promoting publication for the purpose of influencing the result of a trial is obvious," District Attorney Perkins said in a statement. "But equally obvious is the unfairness and indecency of attempting to foment interest in the cause of a defendant by unfounded suggestions that acceptance of his guilt exists in the minds of those who prosecuted him."

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"Under these circumstances, it seems necessary to state that the evidence in the Becker case was gathered together in the customary way, by trusted members of the District Attorney's staff; that neither the District Attorney nor those of his staff who participated in the preparation of the trial of the Becker case nor any other member of the District Attorney's staff has any knowledge of irregularity in the way such evidence was procured; that if there were any such irregularity it would necessarily be known to some of them."

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## WHAT EVERY WOMAN SHOULD KNOW! How to Keep Well, Keep Strong and Keep a Perfect Figure, Told in a Series of Illustrated Lessons

To-Day's Illustrated Lesson Suggests a Proper Regulation of Meals During the Summer and Gives Handball Exercises Which Are Generally Beneficial.

Because of her perfect physical proportions, Pauline Furlong has been named the "American Venus." She is the author of "Beauty Culture at Home," and is an authority on all questions of woman's physical well-being. She will give a course of lessons to the women readers of The Evening World this summer on "How to Make Yourself Well and Strong and Preserve Your Figure."

### LESSON XVI.

By Pauline Furlong.

There is one argument which health students who criticize the modern dietary are being compelled constantly to meet. The obtuse believers in "three solid meals a day" declare: "Folks have always eaten that way. Think of the enormous bakings and brewings and preservations of our mothers and grandmothers! Remember the old-fashioned barbecues when oxen and sheep were roasted whole! Three meals, with plenty of food at each one, are not too many for the husky American man or woman."

The point these good people always forget is that in the days of barbecues and enormous family bakings most of the male and female participants were engaged in strenuous physical labor for at least some part of every day. Just to live took more physical energy in those days than it does now. One could not escape every staircase by means of an elevator. The automobile was undreamed of, and even in the cities public transportation was in an exceedingly undeveloped state. People walked or rode horseback much more than they do at present.

**AMOUNT OF EXERCISE SHOULD REGULATE AMOUNT OF FOOD.**

Even well-to-do men and women worked with their hands. So many products were made in the household that the mistress found plenty of physical labor for herself, even though she had daughters and serving maids under her direction. Business enterprises were smaller, and the merchant or manufacturer often worked side by side with his men.

It is a proved fact that persons who move about and keep their muscles busy, either in work, in play or in avowed physical exercise, may assimilate more food than those who lead sedentary lives and whose labor is mental. If indeed they do any work at all. That is why we see so many stout persons, both men and women, in this year of 1915. We eat as if we were working ten hours a day on the farm; actually we are doing nothing of the sort.

A few wise men like Henry Ford, who has just founded a department of dietetics in the Detroit hospital which bears his name, have already warned us that we are "overstocking our engines." Another of this group of prophets is Samuel G. Blythe, the well known Washington correspondent and novelist, who has described how he himself experienced "The Fun of Getting Thin."

Mr. Blythe's method seems to me most interesting, although it differs somewhat from the one which I have recommended to you. Frankly, I think it calls for more self-control than most persons possess. Mr. Blythe gave up no dishes which he liked, not even those supposed to be most fattening. He ate less—a great deal less—of each one.

I may be wrong, but I think that such a procedure would be more tantalizing to most persons than compelling them to abstain from food.

I am very fond of ice cream, but I know that if a physician should tell me that I was overeating, I should be very much obliged to him.

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The first person to win twenty points wins the game. It sounds simple enough, but it isn't as easy as you think. It is, however, wonderful exercise. Every muscle in the body is brought into play. You are running, bending, swinging your arms constantly. You should try to hit the ball with your left hand, as well as with your right. The hand by the way, should be held with the fingers and thumb pressed tightly together and curved inward, so that the palm is hollowed.

The exercise is so violent that the perspiration will be streaming from your forehead before you have finished the first game, and the start I don't advise you to play more than one game at a time. As you grow stronger perhaps two or three consecutive games will not be too hard for you, but don't go above that limit. The game will reduce every part of your body.

Returning to the conclusion on which Mr. Blythe bases his whole system of reduction, it is perfectly true that most city dwellers eat altogether too much—unless they are financial reasons which prevent gluttony. Two meals a day are quite sufficient for most persons who do not perform severe physical labor.

**OMITTING NOON MEAL ADDS TO SUMMER COMFORT.**

I have suggested lunch as a good meal with which to dispense, because its omission means loss of a gap between the times of taking nourishment than as if either breakfast or dinner were omitted. If you begin omitting the noon meal this summer and the first ways in which you will be repaid is by the sensation of greater coolness, even on torrid days. Taking food into the body, particularly some sort of food, adds to the internal heat of the system, and the increase is naturally felt most keenly when the external temperature is high. This is another reason why the summer is the psychological time of year to start a reduction course.

When you first begin to cut down the quantity of food you eat, you will doubtless miss it. You may feel hungry—in fact, if you are seriously trying to lose flesh you should always leave the table before you are fully satisfied. But your hunger should not be accepted as a sign that now you are eating too little to sustain yourself in perfect health. The craving for the old "solid" three meals is simply a sign that a bad habit is a difficult thing to give up.

Eventually I can promise you that you will feel as well satisfied with a sane amount of food as you did with the consumption of an exorbitant meal—exorbitant in its demands on your purse and on your health. And really, isn't it ever so much more dignified and self-respecting to feel that you are eating only as much food as you need for, as you feel it, rather than stuffing yourself as the keepers stuff the poor geese who are destined for pate-de-fais gras?

I have called tennis and bicycling "the fat woman's sports," and today I have another to add to them. It is the game of handball.

**HANDBALL EXERCISES EVERY MUSCLE OF THE BODY.**

This game is of extremely ancient origin and is often played by trained men athletes in a large, specially constructed court with elaborate rules. But I do not suggest that you go this far. You can play it in your own rooms or in any narrow courtyard, which has one high brick wall. A tennis ball, or one of the soft rubber ones which you can purchase for 10 cents, will be better adapted to your strength than the hard rubber ball used in handball.

One can get exercise by playing alone, but the game is more amusing if played with two persons. One of them drops the ball, then as it bounces from the floor, hits it with her cupped hand in the direction of the wall. This is called a "serve." The other player must wait till the ball hits the floor again, after bouncing from the wall, then as it bounces from the floor, she in her turn must apply her cupped hand to it with sufficient force to send it toward the wall once more.

Each time the player hits the ball on the bounce from the floor, after the serve, scores one for the player.

**FIVE PERSONS HURT IN AUTO CRASH, 3 MORTALLY**

Brakes Failing to Work, Car Ran Away Down a Steep Hill and Struck a Tree.

POUGHKEEPSIE, July 16.—Five persons were hurt, three mortally, yesterday when the brake of a touring car failed to work on Pine Hill, west of Kingston, and the car at terrific speed ran down the long declivity and was smashed against a tree.

The injured, picked up at the roadside and rushed to Kingston City Hospital, were identified as the Rev. T. I. Templey and wife of Arena, Delaware County; Anna Credel and daughter of Hancock, N. Y., and Mrs. Minnie Brown of Arena.

Mr. Templey, Miss Credel and Mrs. Brown have fractured skulls, the others broken arms or legs. A daughter of the clergyman escaped injury. Pine Hill is one of the steepest grades in the Catskills.

## EDISON WANTS NAVY EXPERTS TO SHARE CREDIT WITH BOARD

Daniels Says Inventor Believes  
New Naval Bureau Should  
Be Purely Advisory.

WASHINGTON, July 16.—Secretary Daniels returned today from his conference with Thomas A. Edison, who will head the new Naval Advisory Board. Mr. Daniels said general plans for the new bureau of invention in the Department and the civilian board were talked over, but the personnel of the board was not discussed.

"Mr. Edison thought," said the Secretary, "that the plan offered possibilities of getting the foremost engineers of the country to aid us. He is impressed with the idea that methods of warfare are undergoing radical change—that what has been may not be in future."

"It is his idea that the board should be purely advisory and that navy officers skilled by practice in their work should continue development of ideas, getting the board's advice where it could aid them. Mr. Edison thought that to serve on this board would be regarded as a crowning honor for an American engineer—the equal of decorations given by foreign governments for scientific achievements."

Mr. Daniels believed there would be little difficulty getting appropriations from Congress for the work. Several Senators and Representatives, he said, already have approved the plan.

"If we can show Congress the wisdom of the plan," he said, "I think we will have little trouble with appropriations."

Government purchase of the wireless control for torpedoes, invented by John Hays Hammond Jr., probably will be recommended to Congress by Secretary Garrison. The appropriations committee during the closing days of the last Congress were urged to provide for securing the new device for protecting the coasts, but no action was taken.

Officials of the Ordnance and Fortifications Divisions believe a concealed shore station may absolutely control a submerged torpedo within the limits of vision, and that an approaching battleship would have little chance to escape.

Army officers see possibilities of greatly extending the usefulness of the wireless control with the aid of an aeroplane scout. An aviator flying high and out of range could by wireless to the operator ashore direct an attack on a hostile ship out of sight of the shore station.

**WILSON'S VACATION ENDING.**

President Arranges to Leave Cornish Early Next Week.

CORNISH, N. H., July 16.—Arrangements were completed today for President Wilson's return to Washington early next week. Members of his family will remain here, and the President hopes to join them again later if public business permits. Before his next trip here he probably will visit his daughter, Mrs. W. G. McAdoo, at her summer home in Maine.

After an early round of golf with Dr. Cary T. Grayson the President retired to his study at Harlakenden House and spent several hours working on official business from Washington.

## WANT TO START SIGHT-SEEING CARS FROM OFFICES

Let Them Use Public Stands, Opponents of Proposed Ordinance Say.

Mayor Mitchell today gave a hearing on three proposed new city ordinances. The most important is one giving sight-seeing cars the privilege of standing in front of a building in which they rent an office.

License Commissioner Bell said that if the ordinance was signed it should be amended so as not to permit them to stand for an unlimited time.

"If you sign this ordinance you are going to give them back the streets," said Joseph A. Nelson, President of the Public Hackmen's Association. It is true the ordinance gives the Police Commissioner the authority to say just how and when these cars shall stand, but if they get this privilege they will give the Commissioner the fight of his life."

Mr. Nelson added that there was no reason why the sight-seeing cars should not use the public stands given them for that purpose the same as the association had to do.

The lawyers for the sight-seeing companies declared that the only privilege the companies asked was the right to be allowed to load people in their cars in front of their offices and bring them back to the same place.

"We want the right to do business the same as the dry goods stores who may have their delivery wagons in front of their stores and load their packages for delivery," said A. K. Wing, counsel for the Green Sight-Seeing Company.

The Mayor gave all interested a week in which to file briefs.

## WILSON IN NO HURRY TO RECOGNIZE CARRANZA

Favors Awaiting More Decisive  
Military Stroke Than the Tak-  
ing of Mexico City.

WASHINGTON, July 16.—President Wilson does not intend to recognize Carranza merely because Carranza's forces have occupied Mexico City. He favors awaiting some more decisive military stroke or possible political developments before making up his mind fully with respect to Mexico, it was learned at the summer White House today.

At all events, this country's next step in the Mexican situation will not be announced until after the United States has had time to consider the American controversy is settled. Reports reaching the President say that the famine conditions in Mexico are somewhat improved and that there is no demand for immediate action.

WASHINGTON, July 16.—Gen. Carranza's expression of regret that his purposes have apparently been misunderstood by the United States, and his appeal for the "hearty sympathy of the American Government" in his efforts to restore peace to Mexico, are regarded here as the forerunners of a new declaration of recognition by the United States.

State Department officials reiterated today that no formal representation should be made by the United States, and that, while the situation was being watched closely, no action was imminent. It may be discussed by the Cabinet Tuesday.

**STRIKE OF 21,000 MAY  
END OR INCREASE TO-DAY**

Joint Mediation Committee Ready  
to Report to Sub-Committee  
on Immediate Action.

The 21,000 union pantsmakers and vest and knee pants makers who have been on strike since the beginning of the week will know late today whether they are to return to their work on Monday. More than 60,000 other workers in the men's garment industry, who have been threatening to join the strike, will learn at the same time whether they are to return to work or more than 800 shops to-morrow morning.

It was announced today at the United Hebrew Societies hall, No. 32 Second Avenue, that before night the joint mediation committee of manufacturers and workers will announce their recommendations to the Sub-Committee on Immediate Action. The manufacturers have agreed, according to an announcement made by an union official, to a reinstatement of the old wages in effect two years ago, and which the unions contended had been cut from 25 to 45 per cent. in two years.

**ON RAMPAGE IN HOTEL.**

Nude Male Exhorts Crowd From Window and Is Restrained.

Crowds watching a newspaper bulletin board at Washington and Johnson Streets, Brooklyn, this morning, were startled by the sight of a nude man standing in a window on the second floor of the Clarendon Hotel, waving his arms and exhorting the people on the street in a vein of religious frenzy. Patrolman Michael Imbriale took him into custody.

The management said a woman occupying the room where the man was found had just run screaming down the hall, saying some one had invaded her bedchamber. The prisoner said on Washington Park, Dr. W. F. Slinger of Kings County Hospital took him away.

The police say Van Harlingen is the son of the late Dr. J. A. Van Harlingen, No. 166A Washington Park. He registered at the hotel last night.

## MYSTERY IN DEATH OF BOY CRUSHED UNDER ELEVATOR

Must Have Lain There an Hour  
Before a Stranger Dis-  
covered Him.

The Coroner and the police are trying to find out just how little Max Colenstein was crushed to death this morning in a freight elevator at No. 120 West Twenty-sixth Street. His body was found under the floor of the elevator by a man who came into the building on business at 10:30 o'clock, and there is some mystery as to why the accident was not discovered long before.

Colenstein was a bright lad of fifteen, who got his first job last Monday with Harry Mershenheim, a furrier, at No. 160 West Twenty-fifth Street. Mr. Mershenheim sent him at 9:30 this morning on an errand to a customer in the twelve-story loft building, No. 120 West Twenty-sixth Street. The boy never got to his destination.

There are two freight elevators in the building. One was standing idle at the ground floor when the boy came in, and Eustace Patten, who runs the other one, declares that he did not see him at any time. The idle elevator was inclosed behind a safety door that slides up and down.

A stranger came into the building at 10:30 A. M. He rang the bell excitedly for Patten, and when he came down cried: "What's happened to that boy?"

Patten raised the car and pulled little Max out from under it. He had been crushed between the floor of the car and the floor of the building. The boy died in a few moments. The stranger who gave the alarm hurried away.

Patten was so panic-stricken that it was almost impossible to get a straight story from him. He told a reporter of The Evening World that the man on the other elevator quit work at 8:30 A. M. and went away. He would not tell his name. If the safety door had been latched it is impossible to see how little Max could have got into the car. The police are looking for the missing car operator and in the meantime are keeping Patten under observation.

Max Colenstein lived with his parents at No. 339 East Tenth Street. He was an active lad, still in knickerbockers. What the police understand is how the accident, which must have happened soon after 9:30 A. M., was not discovered for nearly an hour, though Patten was running his car up and down all the time and people were going in and out of the building.

**"CONVERT WILSON,"  
NOW THE GERMAN CRY**

Vossische Zeitung, "Organ of the  
Chancellor, Hopes President  
Will Follow Bryan.

BERLIN (via wireless to Sayville, L. I.), July 16.—The Vossische Zeitung, often an exponent of the German Chancellor's views, today had the following additional comment to make on Austria's note to America, protesting against the sale of war munitions to the allies:

"We hope that this strong neutrality argument will impress and convert President Wilson as Bryan was converted before. Now is the golden opportunity for America to show her readiness to observe true neutrality."

The German press generally considered the Austrian note as a shrewd political move, but were sceptical of its effect on the Washington Government.

**Denies Writ of Mandamus.**

Supreme Court Justice Shoard denied yesterday a writ of mandamus to Gustav Semmig, who sought to force Secretary of State Frank M. Hughes to reinstate him as Inspector of Automobiles. Semmig was removed Feb. 25 last. He charged that he was discharged to make room for Gustav Smith, son of Bay B. Smith, former Clerk of the Senate. In his decision the court charges Semmig with having made, in defeating change of venue, a false statement as to the county in which he was employed.

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## MORGAN'S ASSAILANT NOT SHOT; KILLED BY JUMP, INQUEST SHOWS

Wardens and Prisoners Testify  
to Manner of Holt's  
Suicide in Jail.

Justice of the Peace Walter L. Jones, acting as Coroner, concluded today at Mineola his inquiry into the death of Prof. Erich Muentzer, alias Frank Holt, the assailant of J. P. Morgan, who killed himself in Mineola jail on the night of July 6. To-day's hearing put a quietus on the reports that Holt was shot from outside the jail or that some one from the outside smothered him with a pistol with which he killed himself.

Among the witnesses heard to-day were three prisoners in the Mineola jail who were in cells on the upper tier on the night of Holt's death. They testified that they were unable to see anything from their cells, but they heard a man, breathing heavily and apparently crying, scrambling up the screen around the cell block. Then they heard a sound as of a body striking the concrete floor.

One of the prisoners told of climbing the next morning to the top of the screen and finding there the bandage which had been wrapped around Holt's head. The suicide, to be the more certain that he would fracture his skull, had torn off the bandage before jumping. Warden Hulls and Guard Hoffman were also heard.

Justice Jones will render a decision within a few days finding that Holt killed himself by a jump of about twenty feet from the top of the screen. It is probable also that he will find that there was negligence or carelessness in watching Holt.

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